

BOWERS, LEE, E.

Other Individuals
Involved or Interviewed

Organizations

AFFIDAVIT IN ANY FACT

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DALLASBEFORE ME, Patsy Collins

a Notary Public in and for said County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared _____

Leo E. Bowers Jr. w/a/38 of 10508 Maple Grove Lane, Dallas, Texas DA-1-1909

Who, after being by me duly sworn, on oath deposes and says: I work at North Tower Union Terminal Co.

RL-3-4690, 7 am to 3 pm Monday thru Friday. The tower where I work is West and a little north of the Texas Book Depository Building. I was on duty today and about 11:55 am I saw a dirty 1959 Oldsmobile Station Wagon come down the street toward my building. This street dead ends in the railroad yard. This car had out of state license plates with white background and black numbers, no letters. It also had a Goldwater for "64" sticker in the rear window. This car just drove around slowly and left the area. It was occupied by a middle aged white man partly grey hair. At about 12:15 pm another car came in the area with a white man about 25 to 35 years old driving. This car was a 1957 Ford, Black, 2 door with Texas license. This man appeared to have a mike or telephone in the car. Just a few minutes after this car left at 12:20 pm another car pulled in. This car was a 1961 Chevrolet, Impala, 4 door, am not sure that this was a 4 door, color white and dirty up to the windows. This car also had a Goldwater for "64" sticker. This car was driven by a white male about 25 to 35 years old with long blond hair. He stayed in the area longer than the others. This car also had the EXX same type license plates as the 1959 Oldsmobile. He left this area about 12:25 pm. About 8 or 10 minutes after he left I heard at least 3 shots very close together. Just after the shots the area became crowded with people coming from Elm Street and the slope just North of Elm. XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

✓ Leo E. Bowers Jr.SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS 22 DAY OF November A.D. 196 3

Patsy Collins Patsy Collins
Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 11/22/63

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MR. LEE E. BOWERS, JR., 10508 Maplegrove Lane, Dallas, advised he is employed as a powerman at the north tower of the Union Terminal Company. He stated this tower is located just north and west of the Texas School Book Depository Building, which is located at the northwest corner of Houston and Elm Streets.

BOWERS advised that he was watching the Presidential Motorcade from his tower at about 12:28 P.M. when he heard three shots. He saw no one run from the west or south sides of the Texas School Book Depository Building and prior to the shooting did not see any suspicious persons enter the building. He stated he did observe three cars parked in the parking lot located west of the building. The first, a blue over white 1959 Oldsmobile Station Wagon, arrived at about 11:55 A.M. It had an out of state license plate consisting of six black numbers on a white background. The car was extremely dirty. There was one white male occupant, possibly middle aged. The second car, a 1957 black Ford Tudor with a gold stripe on the side bearing Texas license plates, arrived at about 12:15 P.M. BOWERS believed the occupant of this second car was a police officer, as he observed him talking on a radio telephone or a radio transmitter. He was a white male, age about 30. The third car, a 1961 or 1962 white Chevrolet Impala Four Door with an out of state plate similar to that which he had observed on the first car, the 1959 Oldsmobile, arrived at about 12:22 P.M. This car had one white male occupant, age about 30, with dirty blond hair, long on the sides and wearing a plaid sport coat. This car was also very dirty. Following the shooting BOWERS observed that none of these cars was in the parking lot.

Commission No. 5

on 11/22/63 at Dallas, Texas File # DL 89-43
by Special Agent ROBERT M. BARRETT and Date dictated 11/22/63
JOHN V. ALMON/HM *43*

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Other Individuals ~~and~~ Organizations
Involved or InterviewedDate Dec. 18, 1963

Mr. LEE E. BOWERS, JR., 10508 Maplegrove Lane, who is employed as tower man in the North Tower Union Terminal Company, Dallas, was recontacted to determine if he had any knowledge as to an acquaintanceship and/or association between LEE HARVEY OSWALD and JACK RUBY. BOWERS stated he was not acquainted with either man and had no knowledge of any association between these men.

Mr. BOWERS' place of employment is located in the immediate area of the Texas School Book Depository Building.

on 12/18/63 at Dallas, Texas 342 File # DL 443639
by Special Agent ROBERT M. BARRETT/csh Date dictated 12/18/63

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MAR 31 1964

Mr. Walter E. Craig
President, American Bar Association
1320 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mr. Craig:

As I mentioned in my previous letter of March 26, 1964, depositions are planned of witnesses in Dallas in addition to those listed in my prior letter. I am now in a position to supply you with a list of additional names.

Attached to this letter is a schedule of depositions to be taken by Messrs. Ball and Balin on Wednesday, April 1, 1964 and Thursday, April 2, 1964. In addition, I am enclosing a list of Police Department and other witnesses whose depositions will probably be taken on Friday, April 3, or the first two days of the following week.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel

Mr. Rankin
Mr. Willens

Enclosures

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J. L. R.

WITNESSES SCHEDULED FOR DEPOSITIONS IN DALLAS

Wednesday, April 1, 1964

9:00 a.m.

Mr. Thomas C. Dillard
c/o Dallas Morning News
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Malcolm O. Couch
4215 Live Oak, Apt. 302
Dallas, Texas

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Assistant News Director
KRLD - TV
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821 South Nursery
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Mr. James N. Crawford
Deputy District Court Clerk
Dallas County District Court
Records Building
Dallas, Texas

2:00 p.m.

Mr. Seymour Weitzman
2802 Oates Drive
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Marvin C. Robinson
5120 South Marsalis Avenue
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Roger Craig
7111 Piedmont, Apt. B
Dallas, Texas

Wednesday, April 1, 1964 (continued)

3:00 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnson
1026 North Beckley Street
Dallas, Texas

Mrs. Earlene Roberts
1026 North Beckley Street
Dallas, Texas

Thursday, April 2, 1964

9:00 a.m.

Mr. Sam Guinyard
605 East Park Street
Waxahachie, Texas

Mrs. Mary E. Bledsoe
621 North Marsalis
Dallas, Texas

Mrs. Virginia Ruth Davis
309 Gauntt Street
Athens, Texas

Mr. William Arthur Smith
328-1/2 East 8th Street
Dallas, Texas

2:00 p.m.

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512 N. Lancaster, Apt. 102
Dallas, Texas

Miss Julia Postal
2728 SeEVERS
Dallas, Texas

Mr. George Applin, Jr.
3423 Weisenberger
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Lee E. Bowers, Jr.
10508 Maplegrove Lane
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3112 June Drive
Dallas, Texas

Thursday, April 2, 1964 (continued)

4:00 p.m.

Mr. H. D. Holmes
Postal Inspector
U. S. Post Office Department
Dallas, Texas

Police Department Witnesses

Chief Lumpkin
 Det. Leslie D. Montgomery
 Det. R. L. Studebaker
 Det. Marvin Johnson
 Bob K. Carroll
 Charles T. Walker
 T. A. Hutson
 Ray Hawkins
 Gerald L. Hill
 K. E. Lyon
 Capt. W. R. Westbrook
 Det. F. M. Turner
 Det. Walter E. Potts
 Det. G. F. Rose
 Det. R. S. Stovall
 Det. H. M. Moore
 Det. J. P. Adamcik
 Det. Johnny Hicks
 Det. Pete Barnes
 Det. C. E. Dhority
 Det. C. W. Brown
 Det. R. M. Sims
 Det. E. L. Boyd
 J. D. Martin (Motorcycle)

non-Police Department Witnesses

Mr. James E. Rameck
 Mr. Troy West
 Mr. William H. Shelley
 Mr. George W. Rockley, Jr.
 Mr. Eddie Piper
 Miss Mary Ann Mitchell
 Mr. Billy N. Lovelady
 Mrs. Geneva L. Hine
 Mr. Charles D. Givens
 Mr. Jack E. Dougherty
 Mrs. Doris Burns
 Mr. Danny G. Arce
 Miss Vickie Adams

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MAR 26 1964

AIR MAIL

Mr. Forrest V. Sorrels
Special Agent in Charge
United States Secret Service
Belmont Life Building, Room 800
505 Erway Street
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Sorrels:

On behalf of the Commission, I would like to thank you for the cooperation extended by you and your staff to representatives of the Commission in Dallas during the past weeks.

Two members of the staff, Joseph A. Ball and David W. Belin, will be in Dallas for about ten days commencing March 31. We have scheduled depositions with various witnesses on Wednesday, April 1 and Thursday, April 2.

We have asked that these witnesses telephone the U. S. District Attorney's office acknowledging that they will be able to be there to have their depositions taken. We would appreciate your having Mr. Howlett check with the District Attorney's office on early Tuesday morning, March 31, to ascertain which of these deponents have not called. Any such person should be contacted directly by Mr. Howlett, or some other member of your office, to make sure that that person will be able to be present for the taking of his deposition. Some of these witnesses may require transportation.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel

Enclosure

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Mr. H. D. Holmes
Postal Inspector
U. S. Post Office Department
Dallas, Texas

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March 24, 1964

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. J. Lee Rankin

From: Joseph A. Ball

We propose the following schedule for depositions. The Dallas Police Department witnesses will be listed later.

<u>Wednesday, April 1</u>	<u>Ball</u>	<u>Belin</u>
9:00 a.m.	Dillard Couch	Underwood Edwards
11:00 a.m.	Fisher	Crawford
2:00 p.m.	Weitzman Robinson	Craig
3:00 p.m.	Mrs. Johnson	Mr. Johnson Earlene Roberts
 <u>Thursday, April 2</u>		
9:00 a.m.	Sam Guinyard Davis	Mrs. Bledsoe Smith
2:00 p.m.	J. Brewer George Applin, Jr. E. E. Bowers, Jr.	Julia Portal Benvenitos
 <u>Friday, April 3 and Monday, April 6</u>		
Dallas Police Department		
 <u>Tuesday, April 7</u>		
10:00 a.m.	Hines Givens	Shelley Lovelady
2:00 p.m.	Arce Wort Adams	Piper Kaiser Dougherty

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AIR MAIL

Mr. Darcfoot Sanders
United States Attorney
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Sanders:

On behalf of the Commission, I would like to thank you for the cooperation extended by you and your staff to representatives of the Commission in Dallas during the past two weeks.

Two members of the staff, Joseph A. Hall and David W. Belin, will be in Dallas for about ten days commencing March 31. We have scheduled depositions with various witnesses on Wednesday, April 1, and Thursday, April 2. We have asked witnesses to call into the U. S. Attorney's office to verify that they can be at your office at the times for which we have scheduled their depositions. Enclosed are the names of the witnesses for April 1 and April 2. We would appreciate having the person or persons in your office who answer the telephone make a brief notation of any witnesses on this list who call into your office and advise that they can or cannot be there at the specified time.

We are also writing the U. S. Secret Service in Dallas to advise them of these witnesses. We are requesting that the Secret Service help us contact any witnesses who do not acknowledge over the telephone that they can be in your office at the specified time.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel

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MAR 26 1964

AIR MAIL

Mr. Lee E. Bowers, Jr.
10508 Maple Grove Lane
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Bowers:

On November 29, 1963, this Commission was established and authorized to investigate and report on all the circumstances surrounding the assassination of President Kennedy and the killing of the alleged assassin, Lee Harvey Oswald. Joseph A. Ball and David W. Belin, attorneys on the staff of the Commission, desire to take your deposition in Dallas on Thursday, April 2, 1964, at 2:00 p.m., in the office of the United States Attorney, United States Post Office Building. Will you please telephone the United States Attorney's office on receipt of this letter and advise whether or not you can be present at that time and place? The telephone number is Riverside 8-6961.

For your information, I am enclosing copies of Executive Order No. 11130 creating this Commission, S. J. Res. 137, and the Rules of Procedure of this Commission for the questioning of witnesses by members of the Commission staff.

Sincerely,

J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel

Enclosures

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Commission No. 1467 *R.P.*
Bowers, Lee E.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dallas, Texas
September 1, 1964

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

On August 20, 1964, Lee E. Bowers, Jr., 10508 Maple Grove, Dallas, Texas, telephonically advised that he had just been contacted by telephone by a woman giving her name as "Mrs. Mark Martin", of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Mrs. Martin questioned Bowers regarding the assassination of President Kennedy and stated she was just an individual who was in Dallas for the purpose of trying to "piece the whole thing together".

Mr. Bowers stated that based upon the questions asked by Mrs. Martin, it was quite evident to him that she was in possession of the information which he had previously furnished to the Dallas Police Department, as well as the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Mrs. Martin also asked Bowers if he thought Oswald committed the assassination and if there were any police on top of the triple underpass. She also asked him how fast the Texas School Book Depository had been sealed off by police.

It is noted that the "Mrs. Mark Martin" who telephonically contacted Mr. Bowers is possibly identical with Mrs. Mark E. Martin, also known as Shirley Martin, of Hominy, Oklahoma, who is reportedly conducting her own investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy.

There is attached a detailed report of the interview of Mr. Lee E. Bowers, Jr., on August 28, 1964, pertaining to his telephonic conversation of August 20, 1964, with the aforementioned "Mrs. Mark Martin".

Attachment

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date September 1, 1964

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Mr. LEE E. BOWERS, JR., 10508 Maple Grove, Dallas, Texas, home telephone number Davis 1-1909, was interviewed at his present place of employment, the Green Clinic and Hospital, 1302 Englewood Street, Dallas; office telephone number Whitehall 2-1361.

Mr. BOWERS advised that on November 22, 1963, the day of the assassination of President KENNEDY, he was employed as a tower man at the North Tower Street Union Terminal Company, a railroad, which is located adjacent to the Texas School Book Depository building and the triple underpass, which President Kennedy's automobile was about to pass under at the time of the shooting.

Mr. BOWERS stated that at approximately 12:15 p.m. on Thursday, August 20, 1964, he received a local telephone call at work from a woman who identified herself as "Mrs. MARK MARTIN", of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Mrs. MARTIN described herself to Mr. BOWERS as a private individual conducting her own investigation into the events in Dallas on the day of the assassination of President KENNEDY.

Mrs. MARTIN expressed to Mr. BOWERS her desire to have a personal interview with him in his office about what he had witnessed and testified to as having seen at the triple underpass and in the vicinity of the Texas School Book Depository building at the time of the assassination.

Mr. BOWERS advised that he told Mrs. MARTIN that he had nothing to offer to her, and he saw no reason for her to interview him regarding this matter.

According to Mr. BOWERS, Mrs. MARTIN stated she desired to talk to him for a minute or two. He stated their telephone conversation lasted approximately seven or eight minutes.

on 8/28/64 at Dallas, Texas File # DL 100-10461
by Special Agent RICHARD J. BURNETT /jtf Date dictated 8/31/64

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Mr. BOWERS stated Mrs. MARTIN then commenced to ask him direct questions, which indicated to him that she had full knowledge and had possibly read the report of his previous interviews with the Dallas Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He noted that while he had also been interviewed by a representative of the President's Commission, her questions did not indicate to him that she had seen the President Commission's report on his interview, as a few things he had discussed with the Commission's representative were not touched on by Mrs. MARTIN.

While Mr. BOWERS does not recall the exact wording of Mrs. MARTIN's questions, he recalled she inquired as to whether or not he was going to author a book, to which question he replied "No". Her primary interests seemed to concern what had transpired at the triple underpass and the area of the "grassy knoll", next to the underpass, at the time of the shooting. She wanted to know who was on the underpass and what these individuals did at the time of the shooting. Mr. BOWERS stated he told her he had no comments to make on the matter as he had testified as to what he had seen. She persisted with her questioning and wanted to know if there were any policemen on top of the underpass. He told her there were two uniformed police officers on the underpass, one at each end. She then wanted to know if they left their post, and BOWERS answered that within three minutes after the shooting, there were some 100 policemen in the area of the underpass.

BOWERS stated that the reason he even talked with Mrs. MARTIN as long as he did was because he was interested in finding out just who she was and how much she knew about his previous interviews with law enforcement agencies.

Mrs. MARTIN asked BOWERS about his interview with the President's Commission, and he told her he had no comment to make in this regard.

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Mrs. MARTIN questioned him about the three automobiles he had seen parked near the Texas School Book Depository, and she described these three cars to Mr. BOWERS in detail.

Mr. BOWERS stated that Mrs. MARTIN wanted him to evaluate the information he had previously given to the law enforcement agencies, and he stated he would not evaluate his testimony as he had reported just what he had seen. He told her to call the Federal Bureau of Investigation if she wanted an evaluation of his information.

Mr. BOWERS advised Mrs. MARTIN wanted to know if the shots he heard had come from the inside or the outside of the Texas School Book Depository building, and he answered her that in view of all the many noises in the area, he could not say where the shots came from.

Mr. BOWERS then told Mrs. MARTIN he was very busy, she thanked him and the telephone conversation ended.

Mr. BOWERS stated Mrs. MARTIN's questions were directed along the following lines:

- (1) His previous testimony
- (2) Events at the triple underpass at the time of the assassination
- (3) Occurrences in the area of the Texas School Book Depository building at the time of the assassination
- (4) Where the shots had come from
- (5) Evaluation of what he had witnessed on November 22, 1963

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Mr. BOWERS stated that Mrs. MARTIN had undoubtedly obtained his office telephone number through a local call to his residence, which telephone number is listed in the Dallas telephone book. He had questioned his father and son as to whom Mrs. MARTIN had spoken on August 20, 1964, and each had told him that he had not spoken to any such woman that day; however, his father recalled a telephone inquiry about two weeks previously from a woman asking for his office telephone number.

It is noted that Mr. LEE E. BOWERS, JR., was previously interviewed by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on November 22, 1963, regarding what he had witnessed that day at the time of the assassination of President KENNEDY.

At that time Mr. BOWERS advised that he was watching the Presidential Motorcade from his tower at about 12:28 p.m., when he heard three shots. He saw no one run from the west or south side of the Texas School Book Depository building, and, prior to the shooting, did not see any suspicious person enter the building; however, he stated he had observed three cars parked in the parking lot located west of the Texas School Book Depository building. Mr. BOWERS described these three cars in detail. Following the shooting, BOWERS observed none of these cars were in the parking lot.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

September 4, 1964

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Honorable J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel
The President's Commission
200 Maryland Avenue, Northeast
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to my letter dated August 26, 1964, relating to Mrs. Mark E. Martin of Hominy, Oklahoma.

Enclosed are two copies each of two self-explanatory communications from our Dallas Office both dated September 1, 1964, concerning information furnished by Mr. Lee E. Bowers, Jr., on August 20, 1964, and August 28, 1964. #1467

For your information, the interview of Mr. Bowers on November 22, 1963, is recorded on page forty-three in the Dallas report of Special Agent Robert P. Gemberling dated November 30, 1963, captioned "Lee Harvey Oswald, Assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, November 22, 1963, Dallas, Texas, Assaulting Federal Officer."

During interview on August 28, 1964, Mr. Bowers was assured that the information related by him to the FBI had not been furnished to Mrs. Mark E. Martin of Hominy, Oklahoma.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosures (4)